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H. R. 3649

To establish the Industrial Regulatory Relief Commission.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

November 22, 1993

Mr. Hunter (for himself, Mr. Burton of Indiana, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Everett, Ms. Kaptur, and Mr. Traficant) introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs, and Rules

A BILL

To establish the Industrial Regulatory Relief Commission.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Industrial Regulatory
- 5 Relief Commission Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT.
- 7 There is established an independent commission to be
- 8 known as the "Industrial Regulatory Relief Commission"
- 9 (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "Commission").

SEC. 3. PURPOSE OF COMMISSION.

- 2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The purpose of the Commission
- 3 is to develop and submit, to the President and the Con-
- 4 gress, recommendations for reducing the regulatory bur-
- 5 den to the manufacturing, housing, and biotechnology in-
- 6 dustries nationwide.
- 7 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—The recommendations of the
- 8 Commission shall be developed in a manner so as to pro-
- 9 mote investment in the industries specified in subsection
- 10 (a).

11 SEC. 4. MEMBERSHIP.

- 12 (a) Number and Appointment.—
- 13 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall be
- composed of 8 members appointed by the President,
- by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.
- 16 (2) Nominations.—The President shall submit
- to the Senate the President's nominations for ap-
- pointment to the Commission no later than 30 days
- after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 20 (b) Consultation.—In selecting individuals for
- 21 nomination for appointment to the Commission, the Presi-
- 22 dent shall consult with—
- 23 (1) the Speaker of the House of Representa-
- 24 tives concerning the appointment of 2 members;
- 25 (2) the majority leader of the Senate concerning
- the appointment of 1 member;

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| 1 | (3) the minority leader of the House of Rep- |
| 2 | resentatives concerning the appointment of 1 mem- |
| 3 | ber; and |
| 4 | (4) the minority leader of the Senate concern- |
| 5 | ing the appointment of 1 member. |
| 6 | (c) Chairman.—At the time the President nominates |
| 7 | individuals for appointment to the Commission, the Presi- |
| 8 | dent shall designate 1 such individual to serve as Chair- |
| 9 | man of the Commission. |
| 10 | (d) TERMS.—Each member shall be appointed for the |
| 11 | life of the Commission. |
| 12 | (e) Meetings.— |
| 13 | (1) Frequency.—The Commission shall meet |
| 14 | at the call of the Chairman or a majority of its |
| 15 | members. |
| 16 | (2) OPEN MEETINGS.—Each meeting of the |
| 17 | Commission shall be open to the public. |
| 18 | (f) PAY.—Each member shall be paid at the rate |

- 19 equal to the daily equivalent of the rate payable for level
- 20 IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title
- 5, United States Code, for each day during which the
- member is engaged in the actual performance of duties
- 23 vested in the Commission.

1 SEC. 5. STAFF.

- 2 The Commission may appoint and fix the pay of such
- 3 personnel as it considers appropriate, except that not more
- 4 than one-third of the personnel employed by or detailed
- 5 to the Commission may be on detail from a Federal
- 6 agency.

7 SEC. 6. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

- 8 (a) RELATING TO THE COMMISSION.—The Commis-
- 9 sion shall transmit a report to the President and the Con-
- 10 gress not later than 90 days after the Commission is ap-
- 11 pointed. Such report shall contain the recommendations
- 12 of the Commission (as described in section 3(a)), including
- 13 recommendations relating to any legislation or other meas-
- 14 ures which the Commission considers necessary, with par-
- 15 ticular attention to the methodology used by the Commis-
- 16 sion.
- 17 (b) RELATING TO THE PRESIDENT.—The President
- 18 shall transmit a written report to the Congress, not later
- 19 than 10 days after receiving the report of the Commission,
- 20 in which the President shall indicate—
- 21 (1) approval, in which case the Congress shall
- introduce these recommendations as a joint resolu-
- 23 tion; or
- 24 (2) disapproval, in which case the President
- shall submit changes to the Commission within 10
- days.

| 1 | The Commission shall have an additional 10 days to con- |
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| 2 | sider changes submitted to the President and submit a |
| 3 | final report to Congress. |
| 4 | SEC. 7. CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION OF COMMISSION |
| 5 | REPORT. |
| 6 | (a) TERMS OF THE RESOLUTION.—For purposes of |
| 7 | this Act, the term "joint resolution" means only a joint |
| 8 | resolution which is introduced within a 10-day period be- |
| 9 | ginning on the date on which the President or the Com- |
| 10 | mission transmits the report to Congress and— |
| 11 | (1) which does not have a preamble; |
| 12 | (2) the matter after the resolving clause of |
| 13 | which is as follows: "That Congress approves the |
| 14 | recommendations of the Industrial Regulatory Relief |
| 15 | Commission as submitted by the President on |
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| 17 | the appropriate date; and |
| 18 | (3) the title of which is as follows: "Joint reso- |
| 19 | lution approving the recommendations of the Indus- |
| 20 | trial Regulatory Relief Commission.". |
| 21 | (b) Referral.—A resolution described in subsection |
| 22 | (a) that is introduced in the House of Representatives |
| 23 | shall be referred to the Committee on A |
| 24 | resolution described in subsection (a) introduced in the |

1 Senate shall be referred to the Committee on

2 ______.

- 3 (c) DISCHARGE.—If the committee to which a resolu-4 tion described in subsection (a) is referred has not re-
- 5 ported such resolution (or an identical resolution) by the
- 6 end of the 20-day period beginning on the date on which
- 7 the President transmits a report to the Congress under
- 8 section 6(b), such committee shall be, at the end of such
- 9 period, discharged from further consideration of such reso-
- 10 lution, and such resolution shall be placed on the appro-
- 11 priate calendar of the House involved.
- 12 (d) Consideration.—(1) On or after the third day
- 13 after the date on which the committee to which the resolu-
- 14 tion is referred has reported, or has been discharged, it
- 15 shall be in order for any Member of the respective House
- 16 to move to proceed to the consideration of the resolution
- 17 (but only on the day after the calendar day on which such
- 18 Member announces to the House concerned the Member's
- 19 intention to do so). All points of order against the resolu-
- 20 tion and against consideration of the resolution are
- 21 waived. The motion is highly privileged in the House of
- 22 Representatives and is privileged in the Senate and is not
- 23 debatable. The motion is not subject to amendment, or
- 24 to a motion to postpone, or to a motion to proceed to the
- 25 consideration of other business. A motion to reconsider the

- 1 vote by which the motion is agreed to or disagreed to is
- 2 not in order. If a motion to proceed to the consideration
- 3 of the resolution is agreed to, the respective House shall
- 4 immediately proceed to consideration of the joint resolu-
- 5 tion without intervening motion, order, or other business,
- 6 and the resolution shall remain the unfinished business of
- 7 the respective House until disposed of.
- 8 (2) Debate on the resolution, and on all debatable
- 9 motions and appeals in connection therewith, shall be lim-
- 10 ited to not more than 2 hours, which shall be divided
- 11 equally between those favoring and those opposing the res-
- 12 olution. An amendment to the resolution is not in order.
- 13 A motion to further limit debate is in order and not debat-
- 14 able. A motion to postpone, or a motion to proceed to the
- 15 consideration of other business, or a motion to recommit
- 16 the resolution is not in order. A motion to reconsider the
- 17 vote by which the resolution is agreed to or disagreed to
- 18 is not in order.
- 19 (3) Immediately following conclusion of the debate on
- 20 a resolution described in subsection (a) and a single
- 21 quorum call at the conclusion of the debate is requested
- 22 in accordance with the rules of the appropriate House, the
- 23 vote on final passage of the resolution shall occur.
- 24 (4) Appeals from the decisions of the Chair relating
- 25 to the application of the rules of the Senate or the House

- 1 of Representatives, as the case may be, to the procedure
- 2 relating to a resolution described in subsection (a) shall
- 3 be decided without debate.
- 4 (e) Consideration by the Other House.—(1) If,
- 5 before the passage by one House of a resolution of that
- 6 House described in subsection (a), that House receives
- 7 from the other House a resolution described in subsection
- 8 (a), then the following procedures shall apply:
- 9 (A) The resolution of the other House shall not
- be referred to a committee and may not be consid-
- ered in the House receiving it except in the case of
- final passage as provided in subparagraph (B)(ii).
- 13 (B) With respect to a resolution described in
- subsection (a) of the House receiving the resolu-
- 15 tion—
- (i) the procedure in that House shall be
- the same as if no resolution had been received
- from the other House; but
- 19 (ii) the vote on final passage shall be on
- the resolution of the other House.
- 21 (2) Upon disposition of the resolution received from
- 22 the other House, it shall no longer be in order to consider
- 23 the resolution that originated in the receiving House.
- 24 (f) Rules of the Senate and House.—This sec-
- 25 tion is enacted by Congress—

1 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
2 the Senate and House of Representatives, respec3 tively, and as such it is deemed a part of the rules
4 of each House, respectively, but applicable only with
5 respect to the procedure to be followed in that
6 House in the case of a resolution described in sub7 section (a), and it supersedes other rules only to the
8 extent that it is inconsistent with such rules; and

(2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules (so far as relating to the procedure of that House) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of that House.

14 SEC. 8. TERMINATION.

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The Commission shall terminate as of the date on which it transmits its final report under section 6(b)(2).

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